

REMARKS

Claims 1-29 are currently pending in the subject application, and are presently under consideration. Claims 1-29 are subject to restriction and/or election requirement. Favorable reconsideration of the application is requested in view of the comments herein.

I. Elections/Restrictions

The Office Action has issued a restriction requirement and requested that applicant elect one of the following groups: Group I - directed to claims 1-12; Group II - directed to claims 13-18; and, Group III - directed to claims 19-29.

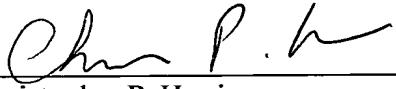
Applicant provisionally elects the claims of Group I - directed to claims 1-12 without traverse. A substantive examination of the above-identified patent application on its merits is respectfully requested.

CONCLUSION

Should the Examiner believe that a telephone interview would be helpful to expedite favorable prosecution, the Examiner is invited and encouraged to contact Applicant's undersigned attorney at (216) 621-2234, Ext. 104.

No additional fees should be due for this response. In the event any fees are due in connection with the filing of this document, the Commissioner is authorized to charge those fees to Deposit Account No. 08-2025.

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